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SUBJ: CLEMENCY PROGRAM FOR VIETNAM ERA DRAFT EVADERS AND MILITARY
DESERTERS

REF: STATE 7614

1. UNLIKELY MANY DRAFT EVADERS OR MILITARY DESERTERS IN PERU.
ONLY THREE INQUIRIES RECEIVED. EMBASSY FEELS THEY ILLUSTRATE
TYPICAL REASONS FOR LACK RESPONSE TO PROGRAM FROM PERSONS ABROAD.

2. FIRST WAS DESERTER WHO WAS NATURALIZED IN PERU BECAUSE US
EMBASSY REFUSED ISSUE TRAVEL DOCUMENT. HAS FAMILY AND CAREER IN
PERU NOW, AND ONLY WANTS TO VISIT PARENTS, BUT IS INELIGIBLE
UNDER SECTION 212(A)(22) OF INA FOR EVEN NONIMMIGRANT VISA, NOT
TO MENTION ANNESTY PROGRAM.

3. SECOND, DRAFT EVADER, WROTE FOR INFO ABOUT PROGRAM, SAYING HE
WANTED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF CLEMENCY BUT WAS DESTITUTE. EMBASSY
PROVIDED COPIES READING FILE, ADVISED HIM TO WRITE GOODELL OR
US ATTORNEY, AND SENT APPLICATION FOR REPATRIATION. NOTHING FURTHER
HEARD FROM HIM.

4. THIRD WAS DRAFT EVADER WHO LEFT US TWO YEARS AGO WITHOUT PASSPORT
AND WAS RECENTLY ARRESTED IN PERU FOR LACK DOCUMENTATION. HE READ
PRESIDENT'S OFFER CAREFULLY BUT DECIDED NOT TO RESPOND BECAUSE,
HAVING LEFT US AS MATTER OF CONVICTION, HE DID NOT FEEL THAT HE
SHOULD HAVE TO BUY HIS WAY BACK.

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5. USIS WIRELESS FILE ITEMS ON PROGRAM HAVE NOT BEEN SENT TO LOCAL MEDIA AS THEY HAVE LITTLE NEWS VALUE IN PERU AND LOCAL MEDIA HAVE RECEIVED NEWS ITEMS SUCH AS INITIAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF PROGRAM FROM OWN FASTER NEWS SERVICES. HOWEVER USIS BELIEVES IT COULD PLACE SPECIFIC ITEM SUCH AS CALL TO ELIGIBLE DESERTERS AND EVADERS TO CONTACT EMBASSY BEFORE DEADLINE.
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